Inspection of the Secretariat by the Dewan and the Chief Secretary.

45. MR. K. N. KESAVAN NAMPUTIRIPAD (*Jennies*): Will the Government be pleased to state the number of occasions in which the Dewan and the Chief Secretary to Government inspected the several Sections of the Secretariat including Stationery and Records, in 1108 and up-to-date (21-3-1109) in 1109 and the names of the Sections inspected by them on each occasion?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI: It is not possible to furnish the information as no record of such inspections has been maintained hitherto.

Vernacular School teachers and Co-operative Department.

46. MR. M. N. NARAYANA MENON: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have prohibited Vernacular School teachers from holding responsible offices in co-operative societies; and

(*b*) if so, whether there is any special reason for it?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN:

(*a*) No.

(*b*) This question does not arise in view of the answer to part (*a*).

Leave taken by Mrs. Lukose and Miss Gomez in 1108 and 1109.

47. MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state the number of days Mrs. M. Poonen Lukose and Miss Gomez of the Women and Children's Hospital, Taikad, were on leave from 1-1-1108 up to date (22-8-1109), the nature of the leave taken by each and the dates on which they were on leave?

MR. JAMES SIMPSON: A statement furnishing the required information is laid on the table.

Statement of leave availed of by Mrs. M. Poonen Lukose.

1108 M. E.

Christmas holidays from 12-5-1108 to 16-5-1108.

One day's casual leave on 5-7-1108.

Ten days' casual leave with 3 holidays from 15-9-1108 to 27-9-1108.

1109 M. E.

Five days' casual leave with the intervening Christmas holidays from 6-5-1109 to 23-5-1109.

Statement of leave availed of by Miss. I. Gomez.

1108 M. E.

Five days' casual leave and 6 holidays from 6-3-1108 to 17-3-1108.

Three holidays from 13-5-1108 to 16-5-1108.

One month's privilege leave from 8-9-1108 to 7-10-1108.

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[Mr. James Simpson.]

1109 M. E.

Two days' casual leave and 11 holidays from 8-5-1109 to 23-5-1109.
One day's casual leave and one holiday from 21-6-1109 to 23-6-1109.
One day's casual leave and two holidays from 1-8-1109 to 4-8-1109.

Smell of rotten fish in Alleppey.

48. MR. K. PADMANABHA PANICKAR: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether it has come to their notice that the Municipal town of Alleppey was contaminated with foul and offensive smell due to the rotting of fish on the coast during the past few months and

(*b*) whether any action has been taken by the Alleppey Municipality to remedy this evil.

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI: (*a*) It has now been brought to the notice of Government by the Municipal President, Alleppey, that a foul smell was prevalent in the beach portion of the town for two or three days towards the end of October 1933 due to the boiling of fish for making fish oil by some unauthorised people.

(*b*) Yes.

DEMANDS FOR SUPPLEMENTARY GRANT—(*contd.*)

Discussion on Public Service Recruitment Committee Report.

PRESIDENT: The House will now resume the discussion on grant No. 3 which has already been moved yesterday.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI: Sir, the House is now called upon to make their observations and suggestions with regard to the report of the Public Service Recruitment Committee. Sir, it is very gratifying to find from the mover of the demand that the Government keeps an open mind with regard to this question and they have not considered the questions one way or the other and the opinions and suggestions put forward in this House will be duly considered when the Government take up the question to decide it one way or the other. At the same time, Sir, I must admit at the very outset that it is with a bit of disgust that I propose to consider the report of this committee because the same question considered by this committee has been considered by the several members of the legislature, and this House has been made the arena for fighting out this dirty question of communal representation in the public service of the State. The committee also more or less followed those arguments advanced on those occasions and repeated a hundred timees afterward and I regret very much to state that the committee did not bestow any independent thought on the question referred to it. At the same time, Sir, it deserves my thanks for having produced such a very brief report, which according to me, contains 31 pages in Chapter II with which alone we are concerned. Chapter II is of course an

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